Railroad Highways.

Mr. Geo. Ticknor Curtis replies to Judge Black's argument on the railroad takes the road from the company then question, having been employed to do so it follows that no charter of a by the Erie railroad company; and his railroad, canal by the Eric railroad company; and his argument is said to be held by railroad clear the right, nor forfeited however eign Christian union. men to be very strong and convincing. men to be very strong and convincing. gross the abuse, without leaving the That is natural: Looked at with other highway in the possession of the corporaeyes it seems very weak. Judge Black tors as their private property, and giving has a great advantage over Judge Curtis them, as private owners, a control over it has a great advantage over Judge Curtis infinitely greater and more dangerous than in claiming the ear of the country for they had before. his argument, not only in the fact that tion taken by him in 1856, in delivering the opinion of the supreme court of founded in manifest error. The lands Casey, reported in 2 Casey. 287. Judge It has not been vacated or abandoned. It Pennsylvania, for there is really guarded by different agents. nothing said by Judge Black to-day which he did not say from the bench in

We do not, either, understand that at any time he has said all that Judge rails, rolling stock, tools, &c., purchased right to be the agents of that public property expires." What he has said is that a railroad corporation does not own the highway which the state has authorcorporation using it owns only the franchise or right to use it under the law conferring it, which defines the contract between the state and the railroad

The Erie & Northeast railroad company had a clause in its charter declaropinion of the supreme court, said:

If this be true, the injunction ought to cation to appoint an administrator to a dead man or a committee for a lunatic. But money, or goods or lands which are the use of the state without compensation paid or provided for. This act, however, takes nothing but the road. Is that pritaken to build it on they were taken for public use, otherwise they could not have been taken at all. It is true the plaintiffs had a right to take tolls from charter, but that was a mere franchise; a privilege d gived entirely from the charter, and it was gone when the charter was repealed. The state may grant to a corporation, or to an individual, the franchise of taking tolls on any highway opened or to and chimes : be opened, whether it be a railroad or river, canal or bridge, turnpike or common road. When the franchise ceases by its own limitation, by forfeiture or by repeal, the highway is thrown back on the hands of the state, and it becomes her duty as the sovereign guardian of the public rights wife had been dead a month. He could correspondents have been invited for the and interests to take care of it. She may renew the franchise, give it to some other person, exercise it herself, or declare the highway open and free to all people. If the railway itself was the private property of the stockholders, then it remains theirs and they may use it without a charter as other people use their own-run it on their own account -charge what tolls they please-close it or open it when they think proper-disregard every interest except their own. would be courted by every railroad company in the state; for it would have no effect but to emancipate them from the control of law, and convert their limited privileges into a broad, unbounded license. On this principle, a corporation might be rewarded, but never punished, for misconduct. Repeal of its charter, instead of bringing it to a shameful end, would put length of days in its right hand, and in its left hand riches and honor." But it is not so. Railroads made by the authority of the commonwealth upon land taken under her right of eminent domain, and established by her laws as thoroughfaresfor the commerce that passes through her borders, are her highways. No corporation has any property in them, though corporations may have franchises annexed to and

exercisable within them. Justices Lowrie and Knox agreed with | 1 875. Judge Black, Justice Woodward and Chief Justice Lewis dissenting. The railroad company afterwards amended its bill of complaint, and the case again came before the court. The point as to confiscation having been further dwelt upon in the argument. Judge Black said in the opinion:

Railroads built under the authority of law for the general purposes of commerce are public highways. On this principle alone we decided that municipal subscriptions were valid. On this principle alone can land and material be seized to make them. On this principle alone can the laws be justified which limit the tolls upon them. On this principle alone have keep within the boundaries of the law. On this principle alone we have always held that no individual or corporation can nected with them, except what the law has expressly conferred. The charter of this company contained a series of regulations necessarily took that authority away. A public highway is not private property any more than a public office is private property. The execution of the law relating to an office is intrusted Jas. E. Brown, of Kittanning, Penn. Mr. to an individual; a corporation as well as Brown left property valued at \$2,000,000. an individual may be intrusted with the His will, after providing for various pur-

the highway nor the office is thereby ex- | the remainder, or about \$340,000, shall be tinguished. The people still have a paid to the board of domestic missions: right to be served in both, and it is the duty of the state to see that they are. The removed officer has no right to keep the records and the removed company has no right to keep the road. If this law be unconstitutional because it or turnpike com-

The suggestion that the repealing act he has given it without reward, but be- will have the effect of putting the road into cause it is but a restatement of the posi- the possession of the persons whose lands Pennsylvania in the case of the Erie & were taken and devoted to public use as a Northeast railroad company against highway forever, unless the state should Curtis, in expressing surprise at is to be used by the public as heretofore. the sentiments of Judge Black's present | The public will has been expressed that it deliverance, simply shows his small ac- shall be hereafter used in a different quaintance with the declared law of way, and the public rights upon it be

It is not maintained by anybody that when a railroad is sold by the sheriff the franchise passes with the property. The purchasers must be clothed with authority by the state to use the property Curtis understands him now to say. He they have bought. The state may dehas not said, " that everything, land, prive them of it. It is the justice of the state that is relied upon in buying the by private funds, are all along public property. The interest of the state re- vides that the net proceeds of sales of pubproperty, and that they remain public quire the highway to be maintained and lie lands and of patents shall forever be set property, and that they remain public used, and absolute confidence is felt apart for the education of the people, and lature, wearing no man's collar, should that those who purchase the property that the net annual proceeds of the fund choose a senator from among the wisest will be given the power of utilizing thus established shall be apportioned for it. Those who lend their money the first ten years, according to the numto railways must do it in abundant ber of persons under 10 years of age in ized it to build upon land taken under faith in the state, that it will give any given state who cannot read and write. the right of eminent domain. That them a charter should they be forced to That the grant may not operate as a prehighway belongs to the state, and the foreclose their security and buy the mium on illiteracy, no state or territory

praise in some quarters and censure Half the Senate favored the apportionment from others for opposing the outlay of of the entire principal of the fund for the \$500,000 more on coast line defenses first ten years of the operation of the bill, against an improbable attack by sea on the ground that it would take too long ing that "if the said company abuse or upon our country. The speaker's course for the interest to reach an amount calcumisuse any of the privileges hereby is eminently consistent with his attitude lated to effect any perceptible good. This granted, the Legislature may resume the in Congress for many years past on pub- amendment was finally defeated by a tie lic expenditures and with the professions vote, giving its author-Ma Teller-occarights granted to the said company." lic expenditures and with the professions vote, giving its author—Ma, Teller—occa- hamton, and has a "good job" there; that "the past is all a dream;" and and the Legislature repealed its charter. ership on the floor and his influence in "the expression of a sentiment not of a The company insisted that this was im- the speaker's chair. It is doubtless wise practical idea." properly done, and that furthermore the to prepare for war in times of peace, and repeal was unconstitutional, as it was a the declaration of the speaker that the confiscation of its property. Upon this grandchildren of the present generation last point. Judge Black, delivering the would not even hear the tread of a foreign foe on our shores, has been made the text | died. The youngest two are girls. for declamation that we must begin to be awarded; for no legislature can do such prepare for that remote emergency. But NANDO Wood will be introduced into a thing under our constitution. When a military and naval preparations in times Washington society this winter. corporation is dissolved by a repeal of its of peace and on the part of a nation so charter, the Legis lature may appoint or authorize the governor to appoint a person favorably situated as this one, need tal to take charge of its assets for the use of never be carried beyond a moder-tal. the creditors and stockholders; and this is ate extent. It is a serious question not confiscation any more than it is confis- whether the peace which Europe prays Spain for a few weeks, returned to Eng- prevailed that he had been seen in Pom- last, but it will take half a dozen on her arrival there. She has returned for could not better be secured and maintained by the speedy disestablishment of or were the private property of a defunct her standing armies and military insticorporation cannot be arbitrarily seized for tutions than by their continuing menace to each other. The time is coming when that "parliament of nations," of which vate property? Certainly not. It is a pub- the poet sings, will be the demand of all lic highway solemnly devoted by law to Christendom. The United States will the public use. When the lands were be the most potent force in its councils, and it can better impress the example of peace on warlike contemporaries by the wondrous development of its resources all who traveled or carried freight on in a condition of military disestablishit, according to certain rates fixed in the ment than by increase of her armament or an exhibition of national distrust.

MINOR TOPICS.

THE creed of pretentious unbelief rhymes

Article I. Ego. Article II. Nego.

LEVI CALKINS desired to take a second induce no elergyman or justice to perform purpose of meeting their successful fellow the ceremony, and so he did it himself, journalist. reading the service in the presence of wit-

THE recent riot by the medical students in Philadelphia recalls the old-time terrorism of that class. The now venerable rector of St. James's once pithily remarked on being asked to preach to them, "The The repeal of charters on such terms world seemed to have divided itself into saints, sinners and medical students,"

RECENTLY the Vineland Journal appeared with a new head and the Times, remarking upon the change, said: "What does a head amount to without brains?" Whereupon the Journal retorted: "What of a drawback to its enjoyment as he do brains amount to without a head to would have done a few years ago. keep them from slopping over "

THE success of the British missionaries at Ongoli, India, is quite marvelous. At a late meeting 221 converts were baptized and 26 new churches were set off. The died yesterday in New New York, at the whole number baptized since the organiza- Everett house. He was staying there tem- found many articles of curiosity, including tion of the church, January !. 1867, is porarily, his home being in Irvington. Mr. Masonic emblems and a bird engraved on killed will be more than doubled when the 15.796. The number haptized this year is Worthington was born in Brooklyn, Definely cut stone. 15,796. The number baptized this year is

THAT Adam was a poet and David an editor may strike some persons as a rather queer assertion to make. This opinion was success in his profession was marked, and held by some of the Jewish writers, as appears by the Prolegomina of Franciscus Junius to his Librum Psalmorum, or Book the water works of a great many cities, of Psalms. They attribute the ninety-sec- including that for the new high service ond psalm, or "Bonum est confiteri," to works at Ninety-seventh street and Tenth Adam, while the rest of these sublime avenue, New York. Mr. Worthington poems are ascribed to Abraham, Moses, shunned public life. He was vice presi-Solomon and six others, making David dent of the American Society of Mechanimerely the collector of them into one vol- cal Engineers, which be assisted to found, ume or book.

THE statistics of the Lutheran church in we the powers, so often exercised, of com- the United States are as follows: General pelling those who have charge of them to Synod—24 district synods, 883 ministers, 1,369 congregations and 131,418 communicants. General Synod South-5 synods, bureau : possibly have any right or privilege con- 102 ministers, 162 congregations and 13, 800 communicants. General Council-10 synods, 623 ministers, 1,174 congregations presenting the manner in which a public and 185,770 communicants. Synodical 408; Crawford, 68,604; Eik, 12,890; nicants.

THE Presbyterian boards come in for a Wayne, 33,612; Wyoming, 65,598. execution of the law which relates to a highway. In either case, if the trust be poses with fifteen per cent, of the whole the greatest interest was manifested in the ond fog bank arose and shut out the vision. abused it may be withdrawn; but neither property, directs that twenty per cent, of verdict.

the same amount to the board of foreign missions; the same amount to the American Bible society; ten per cent, or \$270,-000 each, to the board of education and the church erecting fund; and \$85,000 each to the board of publication, the fund for disabled ministers, the work among

An erudite young Bible student was had been born a tobacconist's dummy. We asked, "How many boys are there in your are informed by those whom he caused to be class?" He said: "If you multiply the number of Jacob's sons by the number of gentleman, honest and fairly intelligent, times which the Israelites compassed Jeri- but we know he is not of the stuff of cho and add to the product the number of which senators of a great and powerful cho and add to the product the number of commonwealth like this should be made. measures of barley which Boaz gave He is simply the right man in the wrong Ruth, divide this by the number of Ha- place. For a time at least Pennsylvania man's sons, subtract the number of each cannot help herself as regards him, but kind of clean beasts that went into the she is now in a position where she can ark multiply by the number of mon that ark, multiply by the number of men that successor of Senator Wallace, who is the went to seek Elijah after he was taken to stuff of which senators should be made. Heaven; subtract from this Joseph's age | He is not a great man possibly, but he | naval officer, and such counsel, eminent or at the time he stood before Pharaob, add has brains and a tongue. He can the number of stones in David's bag when words to express his thoughts and charache killed Goliath, subtract the number of ter to give them force. Pennsylvania does furlongs that Bethany was distant from not want two senators who can neither Jerusalem, divide by the number of an- think, reason or argue, nor convince, who chors cast out when Paul was shipwrecked, are without power of expression and dumb subtract the number of persons saved in the ark, and the remainder will be the an-

cation bill, by a vote of 41 to 5. It procan participate in its benefits which does not maintain for at least a few months in SPEAKER RANDALL is meeting with each year a system of free public schools.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Nellie Grant-Sartoris has three living children, the first child baving terday. His wife, who was left with a the public would have put their verdicts A young daughter of Congressman Fer-

Vice President-elect ARTHUR will spend

land recently.

Hon, GEORGE P. MARSH, United States

Senator THURMAN is to reside permanently in Washington, and will practice at the bar of the supreme court of the

of the second Duke of Sutherland and had bought a ticket for Hartford. This that could be desired, but the reserve so of the second Duke of Sutherland and Mistress of the Robes to the Queen, is was denied, but it is probable now that it was correct, and if so his departure in dissinking fast. He death is only a question guise suggests premeditation. of a few hours.

M. EMILE DE GIRARDIN, the distinguished journalist, and member of the Chamber of Deputies for the department of the Scine, has informed his constituents that he will retire from public life after

the dissolution of the present chamber. of Washington, D. C., give a reception to Mr. ARCHIBALD FORBES on Saturday evenwife at Vernon, Wiscousin, before his first ing, December 18, to which Washington

> Mr. CHARLES P. CLINCH, an old New Yorker, long and favorably known to the commercial community as a deputy collector of the port under eight successive administrations has died in the 84th year

> Clinch a very handsome legacy. Everybody remarks upon Grant's excellent physical condition. He adheres strictly to his lately acquired habit of taking no strong drink, and consequently did | not find the absence of wine at the White House dinner the other evening so much

OBITUARY.

Henry R. Worthington. Henry R. Worthington, one of the most country, an occasional visitor to our city, cember 17, 1816, being just sixty-four years of age on the day of his death. He engaged in mechanical pursuits at an ourly age, and became an hydraulic engineer while a very young man. His he invented a number of important improvements in hydraulic machinery. He constructed the pumping machinery for attended strictly to his profession and and was a member of the Society of Civil Engineers. A wife and four children sur-

vive him. Some State Census Returns. The following is the population of twenty-nine Pennsylvania counties accord-

ing to the returns received at the census

Bucks, 68,654; Cameron, 5,159; Carbon, 31,922; Clarion, 40,226; Cumberland, 52,-

The trial of James Finkbohne for the murder of his father William Finkbohne, ended in Sunbury with a verdict of not

THE MAN IT WANTS. And Whom It Will Not Get.

Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, Rep.

It is true that Mr. Don Cameron will be there, but who does he represent beside Mr. Don Cameron? He may be an excellent business man, but any oyster of them all could not be dumber than he when any great question comes in the Senate for debate. Mr. Cameron has no more represent ed the people of this commonwealth in the Senate, could no more represent or defend its vast commercial, economic, or political interests, or those of the nation, than if he appointed to office that he is a most worthy as oysters when the land is shaken by the discussion of great questions concerning its welfare. Mr. Cameron is a good listener, but the state of Pennsylvania wants for his colleague a senator to whom Mr. THE Senate has passed the national edu- | Cameron can listen, not one to listen with and do nothing else. This choice by caucus, or by personal preference, should be dropped at once, and the Legisand best men of the state, and elect only the worthiest of all; for in all the commonwealth there is no citizen who has too covered by the charitable mantle of obmuch worth, wisdom, honesty, or char- livion. acter to represent this powerful state in the Senate of the United States better than it should be represented. It is the very best man of all that is wanted, and only the very best.

A PREACHER'S VAGARIES. After Mysteriousiy Disappearing and Alarming his Friends He Quietly.

Rev. John Marsland, of Central Village, Windham county, Conn., who disappeared mysteriously on Monday, November, 15, has been heard from in Binghamton, N. Y. He telegraphed to his father, who liver us from evil" as it is now in the that he will be home in a few bear record" we are under impression re-Marsland has been supposed to be living happily, and was thought highly of by his church. He walked away on Monday, November 15, will injure the prospects of the new transand has never since been heard of till yes lation. If changes had been announced child a year old, was nearly frantic with grief, and was sure he was killed or else controversy, for it is not possible for any insane. At first several friends began pri- translation to live in defiance of public vate search for him. Then the people en masse undertook a search of the neighbor-decide. There is an inner sense that reing country. On Thanksgiving day, Nov. jeets, not on account of the "Kai-gar" of 25, the whole town of Plainfield, of which the critic, but from its own consciousness Central Village is part, turned out and and for reasons satisfactory to itspent the day hunting for his corpse in the self. Communities may be educated Dean STANLEY, who has been staying in swamps of the town. Recently a report has to the convictions of scholars some weeks ago declared him dead, and doubt about secreey, and it grows natursaw his corpse, but could not locate it. ally into distrust, and perhaps to convicminister to Italy, intends to resign his po- Mr. Marsland was educated at Hartford tions of unfairness. Besides all this, we sition in the spring. Mr. Marsh is 79 years theological seminary, had an excellent have had a constant assault on the prereputation, and none of his friends have sent translation without any opportunity believed any wrong of him in his disappearance. They will eagerly await his own account of his wanderings. At the at our present Bible and we have had to time of his disappearance one rumor was stand by with weapons of defence, fuse in that Marsland had been at a neighboring hand, with profound mystery and secreey The Duchess of Westminster, daughter station, somewhat disguised in dress, and

> LATEST NEWS BY MAIL. Girard Crane, aged 66, died in Jamestown, N. Y., yesterday. He was one of the pioneer oil producers of Western Penn-Hundred and Fitty Employees Caught

The house of Mrs. Aramilla Mitchell, at Newton, Iowa, was burned last night, and The Young Men's Christian association Mrs. Mitchell, aged eighty-three, perished in the flames.

Frank JI. Shallenberg, aged seventy years, flagman on the Potomac road at St. Agnes' station, just out of Baltimore, was ing was a mass of flames and the walls run over by a train and killed. Of the railroad passengers carried on

the six week days, 15 per cent, are carried on Friday, while there is an average swing in and each had a heavy spring of 17 per cent, carried on each of the closing it, thereby retarding the egress of other five week days.

An Armenian journal publishes an ac count of a sanguinary fight between the men took to the windows and many of inhabitants of a village in Turkish Armenia | them escaped with broken bones and of his age. He was the brother of Mrs. and the Turkish troops. The Russian bruised bodies. Those in the upper stories, A. T. Stewart, whose husband left Mr. consul at Van has done to the scene of unable to escape, appeared for a moment

The residence of Mrs. Gov. Todd, in Youngstown, Ohio, was entered by robbers, who stole \$8,000 worth of diamonds and jewelry. Mrs. Todd's family was at home, and it is a great mystery how the

John Chew and John Mead, two colored mea, returning from work last evening, crossed the railroad track at Fulton station, Western Maryland railroad, in Baltimore, when they were struck by a train be in the ruins: Stephen Hacket, Martin and both instantly killed. The body of McGee, Peter S. Wander, John and James one of them was cut to pieces.

A band of spiritualists are digging for prominent hydraulie engineers in this gold two miles south of Albany, N. Y., under the inspiration and direction of a Rochester medium. They claim to have stroyed. The streets are full of rumors, William and Charles Muliin, brothers,

owning a farm near Santa Rosa, Cal., were killed by Albert and Frederick Quackenbush, also brothers, and claimants of a portion of the farm held by the Mullins. The Ouackenbush brothers surrendered themselves to the authorities, claiming to have acted in self-defense.

It has been discovered that Mrs. Ewald. who was burned in her husband's barn at Cincinnati, committed suicide. She had a revolver with her, and it is supposed fired shot which set fire to the straw. A note was found from her, saying she was tired of her troubles. She had been married but two months and had had domestic trouble and her mind was unsettled.

Peter Zoull, a Bohemian, 76 years old, who came to this country a years ago and lived in Cleveland, was comparatively helpless, and was left by his wife near the cooking stove when she went out washing. In attempting to move away from the hot fire he fell over on the stove, rolled over on his back and then sell on the floor. Allegheny, 355,759; Armstrong, 47,- where he lay in pain till his wife returned 638; Beaver, 39,603; Bradford, 53,534; at night. He died.

A Beautiful Misage.

A beautiful mirage was seen in Accomac Pike, 9,661; Potter, 13,798; Sullivan, 8. ute a wonderful transformation had along the shore and even a little girl in the door of the lighthouse-keeper's home The island was distant thirty miles.

A REPUBLICAN VIEW

Of the Bayard-Conking Difficulty.

Philadelphia Evening Telegraph. The difficulty between Mr. Conkling and his coparceners in the Phelps-Dodge moiety business and Mr. Bayard appears to be about this: Messrs. Conkling & Co. desire to have it understood that they understand that Mr. Bayard charged that Mr. Dodge came to that meeting in the New York custom house with the sum of \$276,000 in his pockets, and that the proceedings wound up by Mr. Conkling and the coparceners thrusting their indi-vidual hands into Mr. Dodge's individual pockets in search of the money, which when found they proceeded to divide among themselves then and there, before the very eyes or the unfortunate and unhappy merchant. What Mr. Bayard desires to have it understood that he said or meant is that Mr. Dodge was compelled by Mr. Conkling and the coparceners to disgorge the sum of \$276,000, which was divided, as the terms of the moiety law permitted such plunder to be divided, between the government, the informer, the district attorney, the collector, the otherwise, as they might find it conve nient or agreeable to employ. That one-half of the plunder was divided substantially as Mr. Bayard said or insinuated -one-half, under the terms of the moiety law, is supposed to have gone into the treasury—is in evidence. As we remarked some days ago, the difference between the versions of the high contending parties about the same as the difference between tweedledum and tweedledee. The practical result was the same, whichever version is accepted as the literally him, for he can listen enough for both correct one; and consequently it is difficult to see what Messrs. Conkling & Co. to public attention a particularly unpleasant scandal, the details of which had long been forgotten by most people-a scandal which they, of all men, it might be thought, would anxiously desire to have

> The New Translation. The Presbyterian says: Intimations have

whether they have been removed from or left on the sacred page. The narrative of our Lord's treatment of the woman taken in adultery in the Gospel of John, we understand remains. The record of the descent of the angel into the pool of Siloam also remains. The doxology in the Lord's

Prayer is removed, and if we read the new translation we will have to stop at "dechapter of Mark, about which there has main, though we would not speak definitely. We regret the silence of the committee. upon them and this would have ended the

given for defence. The advocates of the new translation have been firing broadsides to assail. The new translation may be all country will be opened upon it.

BIG BLAZE IN BUFFALO.

by the Flames A five story building, owned by George W. Tifft, on Perry street, Buffalo, and owned by Birge Sons, wall paper manufacturers, was burned last evening. About 150 men and boys were employed, all of whom were at work at the time. In less than twenty minutes the entire buildsoon crumbled and fell, burying probably twenty or thirty of the employees. The doors to the different rooms were hung to the occupants. The building was without fire escape of any kind. Terrified workat the windows and then sank back suffocated in the smoke and flames.

Those known to be dead are John Malone, William Berry and a man supposed to be Thomas Fields. The injured so far as known are John Griffin, Moses Maloney, Patrick O'Brien, Edward McCormick, Moses Malone and Mike O'Brien. They all have broken limbs and were otherwise injured by jumping from the fourth or fifth floors. The following are known to be missing, and are supposed to Stout (brothers) and Jay Valtz. The flames next communicated to the Union meat house adjoining and also to the property of George W. Tifft, which was deand probably the list of those known to be ruins can be removed. The loss is estimated at \$285,000.

GEN, BUTLER'S GOOD FAITH. He Refunds \$122,000 to the Soldiers' Hemes

The Washington National Republican reports Gen. M. T. McMahon, secretary of the managers of the four soldiers' homes. as saying that on Wednesday night last Gen. Butler, as past president, refunded \$122,000 in bonds belonging to the homes. How the bonds, which Gen. Butler had never seen, were lost Gen. McMahon thus described: "Some years ago Horatio in Europe, willed \$125,000 in bonds, for which he had paid \$60,000 or \$70,-000 to the soldiers' homes. They were principally bonds of Missouri, North Carolina. Tennessee and Virginia. The will was contested. Gen. Butler was president of the homes. He could not go to Europe to defend the case, but he made it up and defended it by proxy, and won it. The have partaken of something stronger than bonds were sent by messenger across the ocean to Gen. Butler. But just before the time the messenger arrived Gen. Butler was hurt. In the yard of the Cross Keys to have the bonds deposited in a certain bank. His orders were properly carried few bystanders. Some one intimated that them away some distance and broke them highway should be used; the repeal abol. Conference—6 synods, 1,206 ministers, 2, Eric, 74,681; Forest, 4,385; Lackawanna, county, Va., a few mornings ago. The sun out, but when he returned the bank had a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the contents, a police officer was coming and the young open and rifled them of the young open and rifled them of the young open and youn ished those regulations aid substituted a different set. By the charter alone, were the plaintiffs author-ters, 916 congregations and 89,478 communitation and 89,478 commu compromise, the only plea against him he was laid on a block of nine-inch ice and 073; Susquehanna, 40,351; Tioga, 45,814; taken place. Apparently not a quar-Warren, 27,981: Washington, 55,417; ter of a mile away lay the island of Chin-if he had not gone on the yacht he eoteague, with its tall white tower, its would have put them in that bank and lwellings, its trees and shrubbery. A lit- lost them all the same. The soldiers' tle boy was seen driving a flock of sheep homes lost nothing; Gen. Butler lost

Defective plumbing and six hundred cases of diphtheria are the prevailing sen-other trifles, found a better sale. sations in Brooklyn.

STATE ITEMS.

Cameron has introduced a bill in the Senate authorizing the secretary of war to exchange the arms of the National Guard of Pennsylvania. Salome Burket, the young girl of Somerset county, who was so badly treated

by the members of a circus last summer. died recently of diphtheria. Thos. Halfpenny proprietor of the Luzerne house and an old and well-known citizen of West Pittston, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. The act is attributed to melan-

choly brought on by poor health. Robert Cirristic, while out hunting, was crossing a small run in McKean county. when he slipped and fell, and discharged his gun. The contents entered his side, tearing two of his ribs off and entering his

Ex-Senator John A. Lamon, of Philadel phia, and his friends have been expelled from their Republican associations for treachery at the elections, when Lamon's successful rivat for the nomination was beaten at the polls by a Democrat.

In Middletown on Thursday evening the gable end of a new foundry wall fell in while workmen were engaged in taking will never get that fellow;" "He is too old down the scaffold, precipitating quite : number of them to the ground. Samuel McClenegaa had a leg broken, Jacob Haust had an arm broken. Wm. Dasher was badly hert internally and several others were more or less injured.

A trunk was found on the train going to New Castle from Pittsburgh which contained the partially decomposed remains of a man. It was discovered by the strong odor of chloride of lime coming from it. It had come from Philadelphia on the express, and had been transferred expect to gain for themselves by bringing to the Fort Wayne train for New Castle. It was a large brown trunk, marked "II. A. L," and was checked 138, through from Philadelphia.

Miss Lilian Porter is a bright girl of twenty years, whose home is at Mansfield, Alleghany county. The young lady, anxious to join the Pittsburgh high reeched us from which we glean a word about passages often inquired about, as to ing daughters. He was arrested.

Boy Killed at Johnstown. While the St. Louis express train com ingeast, was passing Johnstown, a lad named Andrew Mullen was almost instantly killed by being struck by the enlives in Chester, Conn., that he is in Bing- Gospel of Luke. Verses 14-18 in the last gine of the train. The boy was on the middle track and was throwing snowballs long been doubt, remain. The "three that at the cars of a freight train going west. The St. Louis express came along on another track, and the lad, in attempting to jump clear of it, was struck as above stated and hurled against the freight ears. The passenger train was stopped and backed, the lad picked up and taken proper care of, but he died in a very few minutes. The lad's mother came upon the scene, and her grief at the loss of her child is reported to have been heartrending. The passengers also exhibited deep sympathy over the sad affair.

Her Beauty Had Faded.

A young girl left Dubuque for New It ought to be tried again, not only in Lanfret, Com. A Providence clairvoyant translations to do it. There is always alone and unmarried. Finding the man evidently disappointed because she was not as handsome as when he had last seen her, she promptly released him.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE FIRE LADDIES.

The Final Day's Session of the State Con-vention at Reading. The State Firemen's association, after electing permanent officers for the ensuing year, adopted a constitution and bylaws for future government. The annual meeting is to be held on the third Tuesday of September in each year. The executive committee for the ensuing year is as follows ; B. B. McCool, Pottsville ; S. B. Stillwell, Scranton; W. F. McGarvey, Oil City; G. H. Spang, York; Charles Sharpless, Chester; J. H. Marshall, Laneaster; W. Van Reed, Reading; Samuel Owen, Shamokin; William B. Horn, Catasauqua, and Jacob L. McCoy, Carlisle. A resolution was offered by S. H. Ettla, of Harrisburg, to the effect that a committee be appointed to draft an act of Assembly to be presented to the next Legislature authorizing councils or municipal authorities to appropriate out of the funds raised by taxaion a pension not greater than \$3 per month to any firemen who shall have been injured in the performance of his duty, provided that said injury shall either partially or totally disable him him from obtaining a livelihood, and that at the death of a firemen his widow or children shall receive \$100. After a long debate this resolution was referred to the executive committee, with instructions to carry it out. Reading was selected as the next place of meeting for the association. Λ . X. Nebinger was elected as delegate to the National Fire Engineers' convention to be held at Richmond, Va., the second Taesday in September next. Resolutions of thanks were passed, after which the convention adjourned. A grand ball to the visitors was given at the opera house

last night. The following committee on state fire nsurance association was announced: Messrs, Barr, of Lancaster: Ettla, of Ancona, of Reading; Roberts, of Bradford; Horn, of Catasauqua, and Ferber, of Scran-

Pocket Picked

About noon to-day Mrs. Zecher, wife of Thomas Zecher, of West King street, which was her pocketbook containing street. He was pursued for some distance with county for costs. All the stolen by a number of boys and men, but he was goods were recovered. a good runner and got away.

There are a large number of young thieves roaming the streets now and many of them lounge around the market houses

The Young Man and His Pistol. This being the last Saturday before Christmas the town is full of country people, who are in to buy presents and see the large, being from 250 to 300. sights. A great many of the young men ice cream and have become very "funny." Several little fights occurred but no one wanted to go out yachting, and left word hotel one young blood pulled a revolver to the amount of about \$100. They unand threatened to make a sieve out of a screwed both money drawers and carried

Uhristmas Trees,

Dealers in evergreen have not, thus far, had a very brisk market, and at noon today were offering Christmas trees at prices ranging from ten to fifty cents. Messes,

FOX AND HOUNDS.

An Exciting Chase in the Weish Mountains Some time ago old Perry Brubaker, the valient fox hunter of the Welsh mountains, caught an old red fox, and it was at once agreed that the Welsh Mountain inn should have a tri-county hunt. Friday, the 17th, was fixed as the day for the chase. Accordingly everybody in that section and for miles around wimmed up their noble steeds until many an old Rosenante appeared to his owner's eye like the charger of Young Lochinvar. About noon the hunters, with between sixty and seventy hounds. had nearly all arrived, and after indulging in a good deal of swearing and whisky satisfactory terms were agreed upon; then there was another drink all around, when the host threw open his doors and invited the crowd to a peafowl dinner, which was served up in the most palatable of styles, as was evidenced by the clatter of the knives, forks and gullets, of the hungry hunters. After all had replenished the inner man with the substantiail, there was another of the "unsubstantial" and then old Reynard was brought out. Ah he was an old chap:

so old that he was commencing to get

gray and many remarked that "the hounds

to fool with" &c. Well, Mr. Al. Brubaker let him go; he fairly flew over the ground making a dead line for the thicket, thence down the thicket away over the fields and then out of sight. The horsemen now commenced to mount and the does barked and howled in a terrible manner but old Perry said the fox must have twenty-five minutes start. The time was soon up, barn doors were thrown open, and out poured the pack of hounds; they caught the trail immediately; then the sight commenced, riders galloping furiously over fence and ditch, and the hounds making the air fairly ring with their long round bark. From a point of observation on an elevated place, the fox having run almost in a circle, the whole pack of hounds were in view nearly the whole time, and one of the most interesting features was the school, came to the residence of Rev. M. rivalry between a black dog and a Sample, of Alleghany, to ledge while in attendance. Some weeks ago she returned home, when it was discovered that she for the first mile and a-half, but had been betray d. She confesses that the spotted dog then led by fully a hundred her uncle the Presbyterian preacher was yards, until the close of the chase, when the guilty man. Sample is aged about the black dog was running with him neek fifty years, has a wife and several interest- and neek. Mr. Wood Warfel was the successful rider, he having anticipated the direction that the fox would take, crossed through a ravine and seeing Mr. Reynard coming down the ravine nearly exhausted he jamped from his horse and seized him, thus ending a very exciting hunt. Noticeable among the graceful riders were Clem Flemming, of Neffsville ; Mr. Gable, of Morgantown, who rode a beautiful gray mare; Frank and Edward Brubaker, both sons of old Perry, the hunter.

"TOWN AND GOWN."

Clippings from the New F. & M. College

The social tone of the college, the townspeople say, is remarkably high. What is needed is a more earnest co-operation of the resident alumni in the promotion of the best interests of the institution. Why should not the alumni of our col-

ege, wherever half a dozen or more are

resident, organize? It was tried in Lan-

easter some years ago and " petered out.'

Zealand over a year ago, on the summons caster, but in Philadelphia, Norristown, Harrisburg, Lebanon, Hagerstown, et al. Try it.

The literary and scholastic tendencies of Lancaster are seen in the march of improvement toward College hill. Property increases rapidly in that direction, and since

the college gate bars the advance of the assessor and tax gatherer, we are glad to see the vicinage of the college property mount up in value. Besides the social and literary clubs men tioned elsewhere, Lancaster city has a Star and Plant club, which popularize astronomical and botanical study; a Microcopical society, well equipped with valu-

able instruments; a physiological class; a linnaean society of experienced scientists, besides various billiard clubs, whist clubs, euchre parties, basebali and policemen Will not some one please found another professorship for our instations? It would be a wise and profitable investment. Our professors are too faithful to discharge their arduous duties carelessly, and are consequently overburdened with work. A little more leisure would encourage them wonderfully, and, besides, allow them

ime to work on the benevolent feelings of

nany who possess means to aid the college pecuniarily, and also to engage in literary labor which would increase her repitation and make her more widely known. Among the citizens of Lancaster who devote their time, their money and their energies unselfishly to the cause of elevating and educating popular taste, no one is so pre-eminent as Prof. J. P. McCaskey, principal of the boys' high school, whom we believe the college honored itself some years ago by honoring with the degree of M. His interest in the cause of popular education-in its best sense-exten far beyond the class room and the high school boys. He is a leading spirit in the Plant and Star clubs and the Microscopical society, and nothing that carnest work and sturdy scholarship can do to popular-

ize scientific study is left undone by him.

Case of Larceny Dismissed Clara Smith, who stole a lot of goods in Marietta, was arrested on Thursday in Columbia, where she stole an apron and was arrested for it. At the hearing before Esquire Baker on Thursday afternoon, the accused testified that prior to the theft on Harrisburg ; Stingluff, of Norristown ; that night she, with Mrs. Sam'l Day, was at the house of Charles Henry, in the western part of Marietta, where they all got drunk. On her return toward Day's house. she did not remember anything until she arrived at the high school, and when there was handed two pieces of carpet; but did not know by whom. The carpet was went to the Northern market. While taken to Day's house; but on the way walking through the crowd in the market | there she sat down in an alley to rest and house she felt a hand in her coat pocket in fell asleep. The carriage covers she acknowledged having stolen. She implicated about 810. She turned around quickly Samuel Day and his wife in the thefts; but when she saw a boy running away from as she had acknowledged to having stolen her with the pocketbook in his hand. She part of the goods, and as there was a suit gave the alarm, but the boy ran out of the pending against her in Columbia, Esquire market house, and down North Queen Baker thought it best to dismiss the case,

Donegal Literary Society.

A pleasant entertainment was given at Maytown last evening by the Donegal lit-Ward, an American citizen, then living during the hours for holding market. erary society. The was an abundance of Some of them beg but many prefer to fine music by the local musicians of the neighborhood and by a quartet of vocalists from Millersville. There were recitations, addresser, and an oration on "Government by Discussion," by A. F. Hostetter, e.q., of this city. The attendance was

> Burglary at Sinking Springs. The store of H. H. Hull at Sinking Springs was entered on Thursday night by burglars and robbed of goods and money

On Thursday as Jacob Herr, residing near New Danville, this county, was felling a tree, he was struck by it and had one of his legs badly broken. Dr. Winters set the broken limb.

Mayor's Court. This morning the mayor sent one drunk o jail for five days and discharged four lodgers, who had spent the night in the

station house.